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SUBJ: REPORT OF NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN GOM-PRC TALKS

1. CHINESE LANGUAGE NEWSPAPER "SIN CHEW JIT POH" REPORTS
NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN GOM-PRC TALKS. ACCORDING TO REPORT
DECISION HAS BEEN REACHED THAT PRIME MINISTER RAZAK
ACCOMPANIED BY ABOUT TWENTY HIGH RANKING GOM OFFICIALS
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WOULD VISIT PEKING IN APRIL. PAPER WENT ON TO SAY THAT

TWO PRC OFFICIALS ARE PRESENTLY IN K.L. HOLDING TALKS WITH MALAYSIAN BUSINESSMEN AND GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS.

2. COMMENT: STORY THAT RAZAK WANTS TO GO TO PEKING HAS LONG BEEN WIDESPREAD IN KL, AND APRIL DATE IS PROBABLY NO MORE THAN SPECULATION. RAZAK BELIEVES ESTABLISHMENT OF RELATIONS AND PEKING VISIT WILL PROVIDE GOVERNMENT WITH BOOST AMONG CHINESE VOTERS, AS SIGNS CURRENTLY POINT TO ELECTIONS IN APRIL EMBASSY WOULD EXPECT TRIP SOMEWHAT EARLIER IF NEW YORK RECOGNITION TALKS SUCCESSFUL. MFA REP TOLD EMB OFF JAN 8 TALKS ARE STILL UNDERWAY AND HE DID NOT EXPECT THEM TO BE CONCLUDED FOR SOME TIME. THIS FIRST TIME IN RECENT MONTHS MFA HAS NOT EXPRESSED OPTIMISM THAT TALKS WOULD BE QUICKLY CONCLUDED. REGARDING REPORT PRC OFFICIALS CURRENTLY IN KL, MFA OFFICIAL DENIES HIS MINISTRY INVOLVED ANY TALKS LOCALLY. A VARIETY OF PRC REPS HAVE BEEN IN MALAYSIA RECENTLY, BUT EMBASSY NOT AWARE OF ANY CONNECTION BETWEEN THESE VISITORS AND NEW YORK TALKS.
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